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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
2 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008 BEGINS ON PAGE 64.]

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF WE COULD HAVE EVERYONE PLEASE RISE.
8 TODAY WE ARE GOING TO BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY PASTOR DAVE
9 JOHNSEN OF ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES ,
10 FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, RAMON CONTRERAS, FORMER
11 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. PASTOR

12
13 **PASTOR DAVE JOHNSEN:** THANK YOU. BOW IN PRAYER. OH, GOD WE
14 THANK YOU FOR THIS DAY AND EACH DAY WE HAVE ON THIS EARTH. WE
15 REALIZE YOU ARE NOT ONLY LORD OF INDIVIDUALS BUT OF NATIONS
16 AND GOVERNMENTS. BLESS THIS GREAT COUNTRY, ITS LEADERS AND ITS
17 PEOPLE. WE THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY AND THE
18 RESPONSIBILITY AS PEOPLE OF THIS LAND TO BE POLITICALLY ACTIVE
19 AND WE PRAY FOR OUR CIVIL LEADERS. LOOK WITH FAVOR UPON THOSE
20 GATHERED HERE TODAY AS THEY TOGETHER WORK FOR THE GREATER GOOD
21 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ITS PEOPLE. WE PRAY YOU WILL
22 BLESS US WITH A COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE AND TO THE DIGNITY OF
23 EACH INDIVIDUAL HUMAN LIFE. AND MAY WE ESPECIALLY DURING THIS
24 HOLIDAY SEASON CONTINUE TO JOYFULLY HELP AND SERVE YOUR PEOPLE



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1 THAT ARE IN NEED, AS WE ARE ABLE. WE ASK THIS IN YOUR NAME,
2 AMEN.

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4 **SGT. RAMON CONTRERAS:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HANDOVER YOUR
5 HEART. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT A
8 CERTIFICATE APPRECIATION TO THE REVEREND DAVID JOHNSEN. HE IS
9 JOINED BY HIS WIFE, RUTH. HE, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, IS FROM
10 ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES. HE'S BEEN
11 THE PASTOR OF ST. PAUL'S FOR THE LAST FOUR AND A HALF YEARS.
12 HE'S BEEN INVOLVED IN THE MINISTRY OVER 27 YEARS, AND HE SPENT
13 12 YEARS IN CHINO AND 12 YEARS ON A MISSION TO MADAGASCAR. ST.
14 PAUL'S HAS BEEN VERY INVOLVED IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY MANY
15 YEARS, FOR BUILDING HOMES FROM HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, TO
16 DONATIONS OF MONEY, FOOD, CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO HARBOR INTERFAITH
17 SERVICES IN SAN PEDRO. PASTOR JOHNSEN IS MARRIED, HIS WIFE
18 RUTH IS WITH HIM, WHO RUNS THE YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. PAUL'S.
19 THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN. ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND COLLEAGUES,
20 WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND LEADING US IN THE
21 NICE INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF
24 ALLEGIANCE BY RAMON CONTRERAS. HE HAILS FROM PACOIMA IN THE
25 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINES IN



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1 THE 7TH MARINE REGIMENT FROM 2000 TO 2004, ATTAINING THE RANK
2 OF SERGEANT. HE SERVED IN THE IRAQ WAR. THE THEATER IN IRAQ.
3 AND HE IS NOW A STUDENT. HE'S MARRIED, HE HAS FOUR CHILDREN,
4 AND HE'S LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT FOR 26 YEARS. SO RAMON, WE WANT
5 TO THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING. BUT,
6 MORE IMPORTANTLY, FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION, THANK YOU.
7 [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHILE WE WAIT FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
10 LET'S GO AHEAD AND CALL THE AGENDA.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
13 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR
14 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 3-H.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
17 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION SO
18 ORDERED.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE FIVE, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
21 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P AND 2-P.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR WILL MOVE THAT, SECONDED BY
24 ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11.
2 ON ITEM NUMBER 1, SUPERVISOR MOLINA ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE ON
3 THE SANITATION DISTRICT, NUMBER 9 APPOINTMENT AND SUPERVISOR
4 ANTONOVICH ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT TO THE
5 SANITATION DISTRICT 17 AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
6 GOVERNMENTS. ON ITEM NUMBER 2 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
7 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 11 THERE'S
8 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE
9 REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THOSE ITEMS THAT ARE HELD AND THE
12 ABSTENTIONS NOTED, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE
13 CHAIR WILL SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 10 CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 12
16 THROUGH 61, ON ITEM 14 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM THE MEMBERS OF
17 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 19 THERE IS A
18 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
19 NUMBER 24, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. ON
20 ITEM NUMBER 30, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE
21 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
22 TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ON THOSE ITEMS--

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IF YOU COULD APPROVE THE ITEM BEING
2 REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM 32 THE COUNTY LIBRARIAN
7 REQUESTS THIS BE REFERRED BACK TO HER DEPARTMENT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 38, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
12 THIS BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 51 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON
13 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 54 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBERS
14 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 60-- SUP.
15 YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT WAS THAT ONE, I'M SORRY?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 54. ON ITEM NUMBER 60, AS INDICATED ON THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE
19 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 9TH, 2008.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
24 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT INCLUDES HIS ABSTENTION ON ITEM
5 NUMBER-- 24.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT, IT INCLUDES THE THE WHOLE
8 ABSTENTIONS AND ALL OTHER SPECIAL--

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. PAGE 34, ORDINANCE FOR
11 INTRODUCTION, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD.
12 THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5 PERSONNEL AND TITLE 6
13 SALARIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO CHAPTER 5.26
14 SAVINGS PLANS, CHAPTER 6.08 STEP PAY PLAN AND CHAPTER 6.18
15 VACATIONS. THERE IS A REQUEST FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
16 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON PAGE 35, MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE
17 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED--

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT WAS THE LAST HOLD?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS ON ITEM NUMBER 62, THE ORDINANCE
22 FOR INTRODUCTION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 35, MISCELLANEOUS. ADDITIONS TO THE
2 AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
3 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 63-A.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE IT.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR WILL
8 SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
12 DISTRICT NUMBER 4.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DO YOU WANT TO START WITH PRESENTATIONS?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PARDON ME? YES, WE CAN DO PRESENTATIONS,
19 THEN WE CAN MAKE MY COMMENTS AND SUPERVISOR--

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO YOUR COMMENTS RIGHT
22 NOW?

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE COULD DO THAT. LET'S GO AHEAD AND DO
25 THE PRESENTATIONS, AND THEN--



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BEGINS WITH YOUR ITEMS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE DECEMBER
5 2008 L.A. COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE.
6 WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE PROACTIVE PROPOSITION 8 JOINT
7 SPECIAL PROJECTS TEAM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR.
8 PROACTIVE PROPOSITION 8 JOINT SPECIAL PROJECTS TEAM IS ALSO
9 KNOWN AS PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT, DECLINE IN VALUE PROJECT.
10 PROACTIVE PROP 8 JOINT SPECIAL PROJECTS THIS WAS AN URGENT
11 VENTURE, CREATED BY THE ASSESSOR TO REFLECT THE STEEP DECLINE
12 IN SINGLE-FAMILY PROPERTY MARKET VALUES FROM THE JANUARY 1ST,
13 2008 ASSESSMENT DATE. THE DEPARTMENT'S SUCCESSFUL PLANNING,
14 DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS EFFORT ENABLED THE
15 ASSESSOR TO REVIEW MARKET VALUES OF 318,000 SINGLE-FAMILY
16 HOMES THAT HAD TRANSFERRED IN THE PRIOR FOUR YEARS. THE
17 PROACTIVE REVIEW RESULTED IN MORE THAN 122,000 PROPERTY OWNERS
18 RECEIVING A REDUCED PROPERTY TAX BILL, WITHOUT THE NEED FOR
19 THEM TO FILE A REQUEST FOR A REDUCED PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT
20 RESULTING IN A BENEFIT FOR BOTH THE TAX PAYERS, AS WELL AS THE
21 COUNTY. THIS PROJECT WAS A COLLABORATION OF THE SPECIAL
22 PROJECTS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
23 SECTIONS OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. EACH GROUP CONTRIBUTED ITS
24 OWN UNIQUE EXPERTISE. THE END RESULT WAS A NEW ELECTRONIC
25 PAPERLESS REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL EVALUATION AND PROCESSING



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1 PRODUCT. THIS NEW SYSTEM ENABLED THE DEPARTMENT TO HANDLE THIS
2 VERY SIGNIFICANT NEW TAX-- TASK, EXCUSE ME, AND STILL COMPLETE
3 IT'S EXISTING BASELINE WORK IN TIMELY FASHION. SO WE WANT TO
4 CONGRATULATE THE ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT. I KNOW THERE'S
5 PROBABLY 122,000 TIMES TWO HANDS CLAPPING FOR YOU ALL RIGHT
6 NOW, FOR THE REDUCED, SO I'M GOING TO ASK-- YOU WANT TO MAKE A
7 FEW COMMENTS, RICK, BEFORE WE MAKE THE PRESENTATIONS?

8

9 **RICK AUERBACH:** SURE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE TEAM. THEY DID ALL
10 THE WORK. SCOTT THORNBERRY, LEADER OF THE GROUP. JUST AN
11 EXCELLENT JOB FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** VERY GOOD. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
16 FIRST OF ALL, MAURIO LIMO. WANT TO MOVE THAT? IS THAT IN THE
17 WAY?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ERNESTO BOGADIA? WHEW.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ARE TRYING TO MAKE IT TOUGH ON ME,
22 FIRST DAY AS CHAIR, HUH? ROBIN AFINAY? CLOSE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, COMMENDABLE. [LAUGHTER.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT SURE WHAT-- THAT'S NOT CLOSE.
2 GREAT EFFORT, THOUGH, RIGHT? OKAY. PAUL JONES. ALL RIGHT.
3 [LAUGHTER.]

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YERMO ARAJO. SCOTT THORNBERRY.
6 ANQUINETTE VARLO. LISA GIBBS. NICHOLAS MURRAY. JOHNNY DEL
7 RUSSO-- NOT HERE? ANNE KINOSHITA. EXCUSE ME. ALL RIGHT. LET'S
8 GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOW IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME UP
13 HERE A YOUNG LADY WHO HAS AN INCREDIBLE RECORD. IT IS MARY
14 LASH. SHE IS THE ECONOMICS TEACHER AT PARAMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL.
15 JOINING MARY IS MICHAEL BISHOP THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF
16 PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, JIM MONACO, DIRECTOR OF
17 STUDENT SERVICES, AND LONG TIME PRINCIPAL OF PARAMOUNT, AND
18 DR. GREG BUTLER, THE CURRENT PRINCIPAL OF PARAMOUNT HIGH
19 SCHOOL. MARY HAS HAD OVER 55 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS CLASSROOM
20 SERVICE. THERE IS NO OTHER TEACHER IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
21 THAT EXCEEDS THE TEACHING TENURE OF MARY LASH. INCREDIBLE
22 RECORD. SHE BEGAN HER TEACHING CAREER IN 1950 WITH THE COMPTON
23 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TEACHING IN PARAMOUNT JUNIOR HIGH
24 SCHOOL. IN 1953, PARAMOUNT FORMED ITS OWN UNIFIED SCHOOL
25 DISTRICT. SHE COMPLETED HER MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE FROM



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1 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY IN LONG BEACH. HAS BEEN A MEMBER
2 OF THE WOMEN'S EDUCATORS GROUP, DELTA KAPPA GAMMA, FOR THE
3 LAST 46 YEARS. SHE IS A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF HER COMMUNITY IN
4 DOWNEY, WHERE SHE HAS BEEN PART OF THE UNITED METHODIST SUNDAY
5 SCHOOL FOR OVER 80 YEARS. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTIES, OUR 4-H
6 ORGANIZATION, FOR OVER 64 YEARS. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, MARY, WE WANT TO THANK
8 YOU FOR THIS INCREDIBLE RECORD OF SERVICE. YOU ARE A VERY
9 SPECIAL LADY AND I KNOW YOU'RE WELL-THOUGHT OF, WE JUST WANT
10 TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ALL
11 RIGHT. SHE DOES HER SPEAKING, SHE SAID, IN HER CLASSES. SO
12 LET'S GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT.
13 NEXT I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO INTRODUCE AND WELCOME
14 UP HERE A DEAR FRIEND OF ALL OF US UP HERE. THAT IS THE
15 HONORABLE BETTY KARNETTE, ASSEMBLY MEMBER OF THE 54TH
16 DISTRICT. WE ARE HONORING HER HERE TODAY FOR HER MANY YEAR OF
17 DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND
18 THE GREAT STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND SHE HAS A VERY RICH
19 BACKGROUND OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE. SHE
20 TAUGHT MATH AND SCIENCE FOR OVER 30 YEARS TO A GENERATION OF
21 STUDENTS IN THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE
22 SERVED IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY AND I GUESS FROM 1992
23 TO 1994 AND FROM 2004 TO PRESENT AND IN BETWEEN SHE TOOK TIME
24 OUT TO SERVE IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE. SO BETTY'S BEEN A
25 DEAR FRIEND TO ME PERSONALLY, TO ALL OF US. AND I WILL TELL



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1 YOU, FOR THOSE OF US UP HERE WHO HAVE TO TRAVEL TO SACRAMENTO,
2 OR PICK UP THE PHONE AND MAKE A CALL IN REGARDS AN IMPORTANT
3 ISSUE THAT FACES OUR COUNTY, WE CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON BETTY
4 KARNETTE EITHER ANSWERING THE PHONE CALL OR RETURNING IT
5 QUICKLY. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, SHE ALWAYS VOTED TO HELP AND
6 PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BETTY,
7 CONGRATULATIONS AND I KNOW WE'LL SEE MORE OF YOU AND I WILL
8 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOU. I KNOW YOU HAVE OTHER OPPORTUNITIES
9 OUT THERE BUT WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11
12 **HON. BETTY KARNETTE:** FIRST OF ALL, MY HUSBAND IS HERE. HE
13 HARDLY EVER IS WITH ME BECAUSE HE DOESN'T REALLY CARE MUCH FOR
14 THE POLITICAL WORLD, BUT HE IS HERE TODAY. I WANT TO THANK DON
15 KNABE AND ALL OF YOU. YOU ARE THE FRIENDLIEST GROUP IN
16 CALIFORNIA. L.A. COUNTY IS THE BEST COUNTY AND I TELL THAT TO
17 EVERYBODY. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **HON. BETTY KARNETTE:** I'M VERY, VERY PROUD OF THE DISTRICT I
20 HAVE REPRESENTED AND I'VE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THIS GUY, DON
21 KNABE. ONE THING WE ALWAYS DO, IF I FOLLOW HIM, I MAKE JOKES
22 ABOUT HIM. IF HE FOLLOWS ME, HE MAKES JOKES ABOUT ME. THAT'S
23 HOW WE GOT TO BE SUCH GOOD FRIENDS. MY FRIENDLY TIME WITH
24 GLORIA MOLINA, ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND I FORGET ANTONOVICH'S,
25 MICHAEL, YES. I KNOW ALL OF YOU BUT DON'T KNOW MICHAEL



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1 ANTONOVICH AS WELL. I REALLY HAVE ENJOYED BEING A CITIZEN OF
2 L.A. COUNTY AND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO BACK TO THE AGENDA BEFORE
5 WE DO THE PEARL HARBOR AND THE OTHERS.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I'M GOING TO MAKE A FEW BRIEF
8 COMMENTS, THIS IS MY FIRST MEETING AS CHAIR. I THANK MY
9 COLLEAGUES FOR ALLOWING ME THAT OPPORTUNITY ONCE AGAIN TO BE
10 THAT. I TOLD A FUNNY STORY THIS MORNING, THAT EARLY THIS
11 MORNING I ASKED MY WIFE, I SAID, "DID YOU FORGET SOMETHING,
12 HONEY?" SHE SAYS, "WHAT. TO SAY I LOVE YOU?" I SAID, "NO, I
13 LOVE YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN." [LAUGHTER.] AND SHE SAYS THAT, MR.
14 CHAIRMAN-- I'M NOT GOING TO USE THE WORD SHE USED-- STUFF
15 STOPS AT THE FRONT DOOR. [LAUGHTER.]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO I'M HUMBLLED BY THIS OPPORTUNITY. EVEN
18 THOUGH SHE IS OFFICIALLY ENJOYING HER RETIREMENT RIGHT NOW,
19 I'D LIKE TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR BURKE FOR HER SERVICE
20 AS OUR CHAIR THIS PAST YEAR. IT'S BEEN A DIFFICULT YEAR, WE'VE
21 GOT DIFFICULT YEARS AHEAD BUT TALENTED LADY IN RUNNING THE
22 MEETINGS. WE WISH HER VERY WELL. WE HAD A GREAT WEEK WITH HER
23 LAST WEEK, WE DID A NICE PROGRAM FOR HER SATURDAY NIGHT ON THE
24 FLOOR OF THE COLISEUM. SO WE WISH HER AND BILL THE VERY, VERY
25 BEST. SHE IS-- HER GRACE AND LEADERSHIP REALLY GOT US THROUGH



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1 SOME VERY DIFFICULT TIMES THIS PAST YEAR. BUT NOW WE ARE
2 LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME OUR
3 NEW COLLEAGUE, THE HONORABLE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. I WANT TO
4 AGAIN THANK HIM PERSONALLY FOR THE INVITATION TO SPEAK AT YOUR
5 SWEARING-IN CEREMONY YESTERDAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
6 WITH YOU. YEAH, GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE AS WELL.
7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL HEAR FROM MARK IN JUST A MINUTE.
10 WE AS A BOARD HAVE BEEN THROUGH A LOT OVER THE LAST SEVERAL
11 YEARS, AND THE ONGOING HEALTH CRISIS, THE STATE BUDGET CRUNCH,
12 LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND OTHER SITUATIONS THAT CONFRONT US. AND
13 I KNOW, AS WELL AS MY COLLEAGUES KNOW, WE HAVE MANY
14 CHALLENGING DAYS AHEAD OF US. BUT I REALLY BELIEVE THAT IF WE
15 CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER AS A COHESIVE AND STRONG GROUP THAT
16 WE'RE GOING TO GET THE JOB DONE. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE
17 EFFORTS OF SACHI, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICE, AND THE C.E.O., BILL FUJIOKA AND HIS STAFF, AND LOOK
19 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM AND OUR DEPARTMENTS AS WE CHART
20 THE COURSE FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OVER THE NEXT YEAR.
21 OBVIOUSLY IN MY OPINION, CHARTING COURSE IS PRETTY
22 STRAIGHTFORWARD AND UNCOMPLICATED, AT THIS POINT. IT DOESN'T
23 REQUIRE LONG SPEECH, RHETORIC OR PARTISANSHIP, BUT WE NEED TO
24 MOVE THIS COUNTY AHEAD, AND WE WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT
25 SOME OF LIFE'S MOST COMPLICATED QUESTIONS ARE ROOTED IN COMMON



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1 SENSE SOLUTIONS. AND I BELIEVE THE SAME CAN BE SAID FOR THE
2 CHALLENGES THAT FACE OUR GREAT COUNTY. YOU KNOW, WE JUST NEED
3 TO ASK OURSELVES, ARE WE BEING THRIFTY WITH OUR COUNTY TAX
4 DOLLARS, ARE WE BEING HELPFUL AND COURTEOUS TO CUSTOMERS OF
5 COUNTY GOVERNMENT, ARE WE PREPARED TO MEET THE NEED OF
6 CITIZENS AND SEIZE NEW OPPORTUNITIES WHEN THEY SURFACE? WE
7 ALSO HAVE TO PUT OURSELVES IN THE POSITION TO MAKE SOME HARD
8 DECISIONS, EVEN WHEN THEY ARE NOT POPULAR OR POLITICALLY
9 ADVANTAGEOUS. THERE'S NO DENYING THAT THE CURRENT ECONOMIC
10 CHALLENGES FACING OUR NATION ARE ALSO GOING TO HAVE A VERY
11 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WHILE WE HAVE
12 PUT MONEY ASIDE FOR A RAINY DAY, I'M NOT SURE WE WERE PREPARED
13 FOR FLOODS. AND WE'VE DONE SOME GOOD THINGS OVER THE YEARS IN
14 CONTROLLING OUR SPENDING WHEN THE REVENUES WERE HIGHER BUT WE
15 STILL ARE GOING TO BE CONFRONTED BY CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND OUR
16 CONTROL. WITH THAT IN MIND, I'M NOT GOING TO LAY OUT A LIST OF
17 GOALS OR PROJECTS FOR YOU TODAY THAT WE INTEND TO ACHIEVE THIS
18 YEAR BUT BECAUSE WE FACE ENOUGH TOUGH DECISIONS OVER THE NEXT
19 YEAR JUST TO ENSURE THAT OUR COUNTY CONTINUES TO PROVIDE THE
20 EXCELLENT SERVICE THAT IT HAS IN YEARS PAST. BUT THE ONE
21 CRITICAL GOAL THAT I DO WANT TO ADDRESS TODAY IS THE AREA OF
22 HEALTHCARE. AS A BOARD, WE MUST CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR
23 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SOLVE THEIR PREDICTED BUDGET DEFICIT
24 IN THE COMING YEARS. I'VE SAID IT BEFORE, AND I'LL SAY IT
25 AGAIN, WE NEED TO REPRIORITIZE AND FIND CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO



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1 HEALTHCARE TO MAKE THE SYSTEM WORK AND WORK EFFICIENTLY. A
2 CRITICAL PART OF ENSURING OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND ITS
3 WORKING EFFICIENTLY, IS ENSURING THAT WE GET M.L.K. HOSPITAL
4 BACK ON ITS FEET AND OPEN FOR BUSINESS. AND, YOU KNOW, IT
5 SERVES THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES BUT, MORE IMPORTANT, WE
6 KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THAT HOSPITAL IS TO THE SAFETY NET OF LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY, SO THAT IS OUR PRIMARY GOAL. IN JUST A FEW
8 WEEKS WE ARE GOING TO BEGIN WORKING WITH A NEW LEGISLATURE,
9 NEW CONGRESS, A NEW WHITE HOUSE. BUT I REALLY BELIEVE THAT
10 REGARDLESS OF PARTY AFFILIATION OF NEW LEADERS, OUR ATTITUDE
11 OF WORKING TOGETHER MUST TRANSCEND PARTY LINES. AS CHAIRMAN OF
12 THIS BOARD, I ASSURE YOU I WILL BE WORKING HAND-IN-HAND WITH
13 ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT, NO MATTER
14 WHAT POLITICAL PARTY THEY MAY BE AFFILIATED WITH, TO FIND
15 SOLUTIONS TO OUR CHALLENGES. AS PEOPLE COME THROUGH THE DOORS
16 OF OUR HOSPITALS AND CLINICS, OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL
17 SERVICES, OUR PROBATION CAMPS, WHEREVER IT MAY BE, THE
18 SERVICES THAT WE DO, WE DON'T SAY, "ARE YOU REPUBLICAN, ARE
19 YOU A DEMOCRAT, ARE YOU INDEPENDENT?" WE JUST HAVE TO SOLVE
20 THE PROBLEMS AND TAKE CARE OF THOSE FOLKS. IT IS FROM THAT
21 EFFORT THAT WE CAN FORGE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE LOS ANGELES
22 COUNTY CAN CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. AS I SAID DURING MY SWEARING-
23 IN CEREMONY TEN DAYS AGO, AN ATTITUDE OF OPENNESS AND
24 COOPERATION MUST EXIST ACROSS OUR ENTIRE COUNTY WORKFORCE
25 DURING THESE TIMES. FROM MANAGEMENT TO THE INDIVIDUAL



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1 DEPARTMENTS TO THE THOUSANDS OF EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY OUR
2 UNION PARTNERS. THIS COOPERATION WILL THRIVE IN A CLIMATE
3 HONEST AND OPEN DIALOGUE. POLITICAL RHETORIC FOR THE SAKE OF
4 PRIVATE GOALS POLLUTES THE ATMOSPHERE AND REALLY BLOCKS OUT
5 PROGRESS. OUR COMPETITION IS NOT WITH EACH OTHER OR THE NEXT
6 COUNTY OR THE OTHER PARTY. INSTEAD THE COMPETITION IS TO
7 ENSURE THE SUCCESS, ENSURE THE FUTURE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
8 ALBERT EINSTEIN SAID, "WE CANNOT SOLVE THE PROBLEMS WE FACE
9 USING THE SAME THINKING THAT CREATED THEM." MY FRIENDS, WE
10 HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO, AND WE'RE GOING TO GET GOING WITH
11 THAT NOW. FIRST LET ME JUST ASK THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THIS
12 BOARD, WE WANT TO OFFICIALLY WELCOME HIM AGAIN. HE HAD A
13 WONDERFUL CEREMONY YESTERDAY. IF HE MIGHT WANT TO SHARE A FEW
14 WORDS FROM HIS HEART. SO SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIRMAN,
19 COLLEAGUES AND I SIMPLY WANT TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THE
20 LATTER PARTS OF THE REMARKS MADE BY CHAIRMAN THAT WE HAVE A
21 SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK TO DO. COUNT ON ME TO ENGAGE THIS
22 PROCESS WITH THE LEVEL OF INTEREST, LEVEL OF COMMITMENT THAT
23 THE PEOPLE OF SECOND DISTRICT EXPECT. AND I FULLY ANTICIPATE
24 BEING GREATLY INVOLVED IN THE MAJOR ISSUES CONFRONTING THE
25 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH IS HEALTHCARE.



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1 BUT THERE ARE MANY OTHERS, AS ALL OF US KNOW. SO I WON'T
2 BELABOR THE POINT AT THIS POINT IN TIME. WE SPENT A LOT OF
3 TIME CHARACTERIZING MY POINT OF VIEW YESTERDAY. AND I SUSPECT
4 THE BALANCE OF THE DELIBERATIONS TODAY WILL REVEAL FURTHER
5 INSIGHTS THAT I HAVE, SO THANK YOU MR, CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES,
6 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I'M READY TO GO TO WORK.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU AND WELCOME. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD LIKE TO OPEN THE
11 FLOOR TO A NOMINATION FOR CHAIRMAN PRO TEM. SPEAKER: I
12 NOMINATE SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAD A BIG, LONG NOMINATION SPEECH.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BOY, I TELL YOU. IS THERE A SECOND?

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, OKAY, GOOD.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS IS MY KIND OF PARTY, MR. CHAIRMAN.
23 LEVITY IS CERTAINLY APPROPRIATE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED AND SECONDED TO NOMINATE AND
2 SELECT AND ELECT SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA AS CHAIRMAN PRO TEM.
3 WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
4 CONGRATULATIONS AND--

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HERE SHE COMES. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE DID THE AGENDA ALREADY.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WILL GO BACK TO YOU FOR
11 YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DID WE CERTIFY THE ELECTION
14 RESULTS? ARE WE SURE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS ELECTED?

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HE IS OFFICIAL. WE DID, WE DID UNDER
17 CONSENT CALENDAR THIS MORNING, THANK YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CHEATED DEATH AGAIN.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** A MINOR DETAIL, I ASSURE YOU, MR.
22 CHAIRMAN.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD
25 OUR GOOD FRIEND COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH, DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT



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1 OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. AND WE HAVE TWO VERY SPECIAL
2 NAVY VETERANS WITH US, GEORGE KEAN AND GEORGE SEAL. THEY WERE
3 NAVY VETERANS AND WERE THERE AT PEARL HARBOR. AND, AS YOU
4 KNOW, ON DECEMBER 7TH, 1941, THE UNITED STATES SUFFERED A VERY
5 VICIOUS AND UNPROVOKED ATTACK AT PEARL HARBOR, PRODUCING
6 IMMEDIATE CALL FOR ACTION BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THAT
7 TREACHEROUS ATTACK OVER 2,400 MEMBERS PERISHED, ANOTHER 1,100
8 WERE WOUNDED, WAS NOT JUST AN ATTACK ON OUR MILITARY BUT
9 INCLUDING INNOCENT CIVILIANS. THE SURPRISE ATTACK OF PEARL
10 HARBOR AND THE DESPICABLE ATTACK OF SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2001, MUST
11 SERVE AS A CONSTANT REMINDER THAT AMERICA MUST ALWAYS BE
12 STRONG AND VIGILANT IN DEFENSE OF ITS FREEDOM. WE COMMEMORATE
13 PEARL HARBOR DAY THIS DAY TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE COURAGE
14 AND COUNTLESS SACRIFICES OF WORLD WAR II VETERANS WHO FOUGHT
15 AROUND THE GLOBE, LIBERATING OPPRESSED NATIONS AND ENSURING
16 FOR US THE PRICELESS GIFT OF LIBERTY, PEACE AND THE AMERICAN
17 WAY OF LIFE. SO COLONEL AND TO GEORGE AND JOE, WE WANT TO
18 PRESENT THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF PEARL HARBOR DAY
19 DECEMBER 7TH, 2008 HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
20 [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS HONOR. AND I'M
23 TAKEN A LITTLE ABACK RIGHT NOW. BUT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT
24 PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS ARE DWINDLING VERY FAST, I WOULD LIKE
25 TO ACCEPT THIS HONOR ON BEHALF OF ALL THE PEARL HARBOR



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1 SURVIVORS, BOTH LIVING AND THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED ON, THANK
2 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SPEAKER:** I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE APPRECIATION
5 WE GET HERE. AND WE'RE JUST GLAD TO BE HERE, PERIOD, THANK
6 YOU. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S BEEN 52 WEEKS. WE
11 WONDER WHERE THE YEAR WENT, BECAUSE ONCE AGAIN, WE HAVE THE
12 GREAT HONOR TO WELCOMING THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES QUEEN AND HER
13 COURT BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS YEAR IT IS THE
14 91ST ROSE QUEEN, COURTNEY LEE WITH HER 2009 ROYAL COURT. THE
15 PRESIDENT IS RONALD CONZONIRE WHO IS NOT HERE, BECAUSE HE'S
16 REPRESENTING THE TOURNAMENT ACROSS THIS NATION, PREPARING FOR
17 THAT JANUARY 1ST EVENT TO ENSURE WE DON'T HAVE RAIN THIS YEAR.
18 AND MARK HENSALL, THE VICE CHAIR, IS GOING TO REPRESENT RON.
19 AS WE SAID, JANUARY 1ST IT'S GOING TO TAKE PLACE. OUR GRAND
20 MARSHAL WILL BE CLORIS LEACHMAN, WHO IS LEADING THE FESTIVAL.
21 OUR QUEEN IS COURTNEY CHOU LEE. SHE'S FROM ARCADIA, AND
22 ATTENDS ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL. SHE'S CAPTAIN OF HER SCHOOL'S
23 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM, PRESIDENT OF THE ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL
24 SENIOR MEN AND WOMEN'S GROUP AND A COMMITTEE MEMBER OF THE
25 METHODIST HOSPITAL FOUNDATION. SHE DEDICATES HER TIME AS A



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1 GIRL SCOUT AND FOUNDED THE YOUTH PHILANTHROPY GROUP, TEENS
2 PROMOTING STROKE AWARENESS. SHE HOPES TO PURSUE STUDIES IN
3 BUSINESS AND HISTORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
4 AND SHE ENJOYS MANY FORMS OF DANCE, TRADITIONAL CHINESE
5 DANCING, JAZZ AND HIP-HOP AND ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF
6 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HOME FOOTBALL GAMES AND PERHAPS WATCHING
7 THEM PLAY IN THE ROSE BOWL. SO HER PARENTS ARE ANDREW AND
8 YOLANDA LEE. SHE HAS TWO SIBLINGS, KRISTEN AND PRESTON. SO OUR
9 QUEEN, COURTNEY. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRINCESS MARY ELIZABETH GOLLY IS A 17-YEAR-
12 OLD FROM ALTADENA, AND A SENIOR AT FLINT RIDGE SACRED HEART
13 ACADEMY, MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL SENIOR DANCE COMPANY AND CO-
14 CAPTAIN OF THE ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY CHEERLEADER
15 SQUAD. ALSO MEMBER OF HER SCHOOL'S LIFE, LIVING AND FAITH
16 EXPERIENCE TEAM, WHICH HELPS PLAN AND LEAD ALL OF THE SCHOOL'S
17 RETREATS. SHE'S INTERESTED IN PURSUING PSYCHOLOGY AND LAW. SHE
18 HAS ONE SIBLING, JOSEPH. AND HER PARENTS ARE JOHN AND ELLEN
19 GOLLY. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT IS PRINCESS JASMINE JENNY JENKINS WHO IS
22 17, A SENIOR AT LASALLE HIGH SCHOOL AND RESIDES IN PASADENA.
23 MEMBER PHI ALPHA CHI AND VOLUNTEERS WITH NUMEROUS
24 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING READING LEADERS, WHICH WORKS TO
25 ADVANCE CHILDREN'S READING SKILLS, AND THE L.A. FOOD BANK,



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1 WHERE SHE PREPARES MEALS FOR THE HOMELESS. AND ALSO, SHE
2 ENJOYS DANCE, POETRY AND COLLECTING COINS. SHE HOPES TO ATTEND
3 EITHER LOYOLA MARYMOUNT OR SPELLMAN COLLEGE TO MAJOR IN CHILD
4 PSYCHOLOGY AND HOPES TO WORK WITH DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN. HER
5 PARENTS ARE MICHAEL AND RENEE JENKINS, SHE HAS A SISTER NAMED
6 JADE. [APPLAUSE.] OUR NEXT PRINCESS IS BRIDGET KATHLEEN
7 MCDONALD, 18. FRESHMAN AT PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. SHE WAS BORN
8 AND RAISED IN PASADENA, GRADUATING FROM WEST RIDGE SCHOOL FOR
9 THE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL. SHE STUDIES ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND
10 WILL BE TRANSFERRING TO UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN
11 THE FALL OF 2009. ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FOR THE PASADENA HUMANE
12 SOCIETY, WHERE SHE HELPS WITH FUNDRAISING AND THE CARE OF
13 ANIMALS, SHE'S PLAYED VARSITY TENNIS THE FIRST THREE YEAR OF
14 HIGH SCHOOL, WAS THE VARSITY TEAM CAPTAIN IN HER SENIOR YEAR.
15 OUR DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL IS MARSHA MIYADA, WHO
16 IS ALSO GOING TO BE RIDING IN THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES WITH THE
17 SHERRY HORSES. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRINCESS MARY MOLLY PATRICIA NOEL IS 18. SHE
20 RESIDES IN SIERRA MADRE AND A SENIOR AT LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL.
21 PRESIDENT OF HER SCHOOL'S INTERACT SERVICE GROUP, A MEMBER OF
22 NUMEROUS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING IN ADDITION TO HER
23 PARTICIPATION IN BOTH THE WATER POLO AND SWIM TEAMS. OUTSIDE
24 OF SCHOOL, SHE ENJOYS SPENDING TIME WITH HER FRIENDS AND
25 FAMILY, DOING COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PLAYING SPORTS. SHE HOPES



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1 TO PURSUE JOURNALISM IN COLLEGE. HER PARENTS ARE MARK AND
2 KATHY NOEL. SHE HAS TWO SIBLINGS, CAITLIN, 21, AND MICHAEL,
3 15. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PRINCESS LAUREN NICOLE VENEZUELA IS A TEMPLE
6 CITY RESIDENT. SHE'S 17 YEARS OLD, ATTENDS ARCADIA HIGH
7 SCHOOL. MEMBER OF THE ORCHESAS DANCE COMPANY AND PARTICIPATES
8 IN CHARITY DANCE SHOW EVERY YEAR. SHE'S ALSO MADE APPEARANCE
9 IN LAST YEAR'S ROSE PARADE AS DANCER. LAUREN ENJOYS DANCING,
10 COOKING, AND GOING TO MUSICALS, CONCERTS AND OUR BEAUTIFUL
11 BEACH. SHE PLANS ON TRANSFERRING TO A FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITY
12 AFTER ATTENDING PASADENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WHERE SHE HOPES TO
13 OBTAIN A DEGREE IN BUSINESS. HER MOTHER PATRICIA, AND SHE HAS
14 TWO SIBLINGS, STEPHANIE AND RYAN. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT PRINCESS IS QUINN OLIVIA YOUNG, SHE'S
17 16, A SENIOR AT LA CANADA HIGH SCHOOL AND RESIDES IN LA
18 CANADA. IS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY AND THE
19 VARSITY SONG QUAD AT HER HIGH SCHOOL. HOBBIES INCLUDE MOSAIC
20 TILE WORK, DANCING, CALLIGRAPHY, FASHION ILLUSTRATION AND
21 TRAVELING. SHE RECENTLY SPENT A MONTH IN FRANCE TO PARTICIPATE
22 IN A LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM. SHE HOPES TO ATTEND
23 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, VANDERBILT OR BOSTON
24 COLLEGE TO PURSUE BUSINESS OR COMMUNICATIONS AND PURSUE A



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1 CAREER IN FASHION INDUSTRY. HER PARENTS ARE EUGENE AND KELLY
2 YOUNG. SHE HAS ONE SIBLING, WILLA. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND LET ME FIRST ASK OUR QUEEN, COURTNEY, TO
5 SAY A FEW WORDS. COURTNEY. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **COURTNEY LEE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. THE PRINCESSES AND I
8 WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALLOWING US TO COME HERE
9 TODAY. IT IS A GREAT HONOR TO BE IN YOUR PRESENCE. WE'D LIKE
10 TO INVITE ALL OF YOU TO WATCH OR COME TO THE 120TH ROSE PARADE
11 ON THE 1ST AND WATCH THE 95TH ROSE BOWL GAME. WE LOOK FORWARD
12 TO SEEING YOU THERE, HOPE YOU ENJOY IT, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK MARK TO SAY A FEW WORDS. MARK IN

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16 **MARK HENSALL:** ON BEHALF OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES I'D LIKE TO
17 THANK EVERYONE FOR INVITING THE QUEEN AND COURT TODAY. MR.
18 CONZONIRE, PRESIDENT CONZONIRE, WOULD SURE LIKE TO THANK YOU
19 ALL AND WISH YOU THE BEST IN THE NEW TERM, THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE HAD THE PLEASURE OF GOING TO SCHOOL WITH
23 THE BARTERS, RIGHT? OKAY, OKAY. [LAUGHTER.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN BE SUCCESSFUL. [LAUGHTER.]

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE YORKSHIRE TERRIER. SHE
5 IS ONLY TWO YEARS OLD, 104 WEEKS, A LITTLE GIRL. ACTS LIKE SHE
6 CAME OUT OF A DISNEY MOVIE. BUT HERE IS LITTLE ANGEL. ANGEL
7 WOULD LIKE TO BE AN ANGEL UNDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE OR
8 HANUKKAH BUSH OR BOTH THIS COMING MONTH. ANGEL CAN BE ADOPTED
9 AT 562-728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO
10 ADOPT HER. I KNOW SHE WOULD LIKE TO LIVE IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS
11 OR ROLAND HEIGHTS. I THINK A FEW OF THEM ARE HERE. [LAUGHTER.]

12 [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW SHE IS BLUSHING, THAT SHE'S MAYBE GOING
15 TO FIND A HOME IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS OR ROLAND HEIGHTS, OR ANY
16 OTHER PART. JUST SHE WANTS A HOME. NOW SHE'S GETTING NERVOUS.
17 LITTLE ANGEL'S AVAILABLE. SHE'S ONLY TWO YEARS OLD, AND YOU
18 WON'T HAVE TO HOUSE BREAK HER BECAUSE SHE IS ALREADY HOUSE
19 BROKEN. YOU HAVE TO READ THE FINE PRINT. WE DON'T STAND BY
20 EVERY STATEMENT THAT WE SAY.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
23 PRESENTATIONS?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I DO NOT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU PROBABLY
3 DON'T--

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION? OKAY. WE'LL
8 WAIT JUST A SECOND. I WILL CALL YOU FOR THAT IN JUST A SECOND.
9 YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? ALL RIGHT. OKAY. THEN WE WILL--

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PROCEED TO THE REGULAR AGENDA. SUPERVISOR--
12 MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU ARE UP FIRST TODAY.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS,
15 UNFORTUNATELY. FIRST OF ALL, IN MEMORY OF LOIS PERRY, A LONG
16 TIME FRIEND WHO PASSED AWAY. SHE GRADUATED HOLLY HIGH SCHOOL,
17 AND ATTENDED LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE. WORKED FOR AUTOMOBILE
18 CLUB, PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY, AND SHE VOLUNTEERED OVER 50 YEARS
19 OF SERVICE TO Y.M.C.A. OF GREATER LONG BEACH. SHE RECEIVED
20 WOMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, AND VERY
21 INVOLVED IN THE YOUTH CAMP PROGRAMS. DID A LOT OF SPONSORING
22 AND LED YOUTH GROUPS ON TRIPS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND
23 OTHER COUNTRIES. SHE WAS ALSO THE CO-FOUNDER OF THE LONG BEACH
24 CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF
25 59 YEARS, PAUL, HER DAUGHTER KAREN, THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND



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1 BROTHER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE VERHOEVEN
2 WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN,
3 JANICE, KITTY, RANDY AND ROB, 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND 28 GREAT
4 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELOISE BALL,
5 A LONG TIME BELLFLOWER RESIDENT, MEMBER OF FIRST CHRISTIAN
6 CHURCH AND OWNED BALL LIGHTING OVER 40 YEARS WITH HER LATE
7 HUSBAND JAMES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, BETTY AND
8 DIANE. SISTER FRANCES, BROTHER BOB, THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND
9 THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BOBBY
10 BICKERSTAFF OF LAKEWOOD WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE RESIDED
11 IN LAKEWOOD THE PAST 52 YEARS, A VERY DEVOTED HUSBAND AND
12 FAMILY MAN, WILL BE MISSED. SURVIVED BE HIS WIFE BETTY,
13 CHILDREN VICKY, BARBARA AND GLEN, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, SIX GREAT
14 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE SISTERS. ALSO WE ADJOURN MANY MEMORY
15 OF MICHAEL DE PAGE OF LONG BEACH IN CERRITOS WHO PASSED AWAY
16 RECENTLY. HE WAS A RETIRED EDUCATOR. HE TAUGHT JET PROPULSION
17 AND JET ENGINES AND A WAS COUNSELOR AND ASSISTANT DEAN. HE
18 SERVED HIS COUNTRY IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY, WAS VERY
19 INVOLVED IN THE RESERVES AFTERWARDS. HE WAS A MASON AND VERY
20 INVOLVED WITH MANY MASONIC RITES AND SHRINE GROUPS. HE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER SHANNA, HER HUSBAND GENE,
22 GRANDCHILDREN, TODD, KELLY, GENE, JR. AND RAY. ALSO IN MEMORY
23 OF SHIRLEY DUNHAM. AGAIN, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH.
24 SHE VERY INVOLVED WITH LAKEWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH. SHE
25 IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 67 YEARS. RAYMOND AND DAUGHTERS



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1 GLORIA, MARILYN, SHIRLEY, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND TEN GREAT
2 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANTONIO LOPEZ. A
3 LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES
4 ARMY, WORKED IN CONSTRUCTION, RETIRED IN 2003 AND JOINED THE
5 A.B.C. SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY
6 AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON ANTHONY, MOTHER AND
7 FATHER-IN-LAW, MARY AND JOHN, NUMEROUS BROTHER, SISTER-IN-
8 LAWS, NIECES, NEPHEWS AND GODCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
9 MEMORY OF MANUEL NAPOLES WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 6TH AT THE
10 AGE OF 84. HE WAS ONE OF 11 CHILDREN BORN TO EPIFANIO AND
11 GAUDALUPE NAPOLES, WHO ARRIVED IN LOS ALAMITOS, IN 1921, AND
12 ARE FEATURED IN THE LOS ALAMITOS MUSEUM HALL OF FAME. HE
13 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II, RECEIVED
14 TWO PURPLE HEARTS. HE LOVED WATCHING SPORTS WATCHING LOS
15 ALAMITOS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL GAMES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
16 CHILDREN, SHIRLEY, MANUEL, JAMES, JOSEPH AND LUCINDA, BROTHERS
17 AND SISTER, TEN GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT GRANDSON. ALSO
18 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RACHEL SALCIDO, PASSED AWAY ON
19 NOVEMBER 5TH AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE LIVED IN THE CITY OF
20 LAKEWOOD WITH HER HUSBAND, FRANK, AND WERE VERY ACTIVE MEMBERS
21 OF SAINT PANCRATIUS THEIR CHURCH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
22 HUSBAND OF 54 YEARS, FRANK, CHILDREN VELINDA, FRANCES, FRANK,
23 MIKE, EIGHT GRANDSONS AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. FINALLY
24 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PAT THOMPSON WHO PASSED AWAY
25 NOVEMBER 9TH AT AGE 73. SHE WAS BORN IN IOWA, MOVED TO



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1 CALIFORNIA. SHE WORKED FOR G.T.E. FOR OVER 31 YEARS. WAS
2 INVOLVED WITH COOKING, GARDENING, SPORTS AND SPENDING TIME
3 WITH HER GRANDCHILDREN. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JOHN,
4 CHILDREN, LORI, CHERYL, JOHN, KIRT, ERIK, 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND
5 BROTHER, DAN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. I WILL MOVE THEM, SO
6 ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. LET'S SEE. MR. SACHS, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
7 COME FORWARD, YOU ARE HOLDING 2, 11, 14, 19, 54 AND 62. WELL,
8 OKAY. WE WILL HAVE HIM SPEAK TO 2, 11, 14, 54 AND 62, THEN.
9 CALL 19 LATER BECAUSE WE HAVE ANOTHER PERSON HOLDING 19.

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
12 ARNOLD SACHS. I HAVE COME BEFORE THIS COUNTY BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS REGARDING AN UPDATE ON THE PROJECT 50 HOMELESS
14 PROJECT. AND IN LAST WEEK'S-- ON NOVEMBER 24TH ISSUE OF THE
15 DOWNTOWN NEWS, GOT AN UPDATE ON THE PROJECT 50 PROGRAM. IT'S
16 CURRENTLY HOUSING 41 INDIVIDUALS. GOT TO A HIGH OF 46
17 INDIVIDUALS. SO AFTER 11 MONTHS OF BEING INITIATED-- AFTER
18 BEING INITIATED, SINCE IT STARTED IN JANUARY, IT NEVER REACHED
19 THE GOAL OF 50 PEOPLE THERE IS ONE MORE YEAR LEFT TO THE
20 PROJECT. THEN THE THIRD YEAR THE PROJECT IS FUNDED FOR IS FOR
21 STUDYING. THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE AND WE HAVE NEVER GOT AN UPDATE
22 ON THE \$10,000 THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE ALLOCATED TO EACH
23 DISTRICT TO FUND SOME KIND OF HOMELESS SHELTER THAT WAS
24 STARTED MAYBE TWO AND A HALF YEARS AGO, MAYBE THREE YEARS AGO,
25 BACK IN MID-MARCH THAT WAS A PROGRAM THAT WAS GOING TO BE



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1 INITIATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WHERE HAS THAT
2 GONE TO? JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW HOW COME-- THE ARTICLE STATES
3 THEY HAD 350 PEOPLE. THOSE INDIVIDUALS WERE GIVEN A
4 VULNERABILITY SCORE, DETERMINED BY FACTORS SUCH AS LENGTH OF
5 HOMELESS AND DID THEY USE CONSENSUS SCORING IN THAT
6 VULNERABILITY SCORING? AND, IF SO, WAS THE DOCUMENTATION
7 DESTROYED? SEEMS TO BE A BIG DEAL. THEY CAME UP WITH A LIST OF
8 140 PEOPLE. HOW THEY NEVER RESOLVED THE FACT THAT THEY COULD
9 NEVER GET TO 50 PEOPLE WHO ARE STILL HOUSED DOWNTOWN IN LIEU
10 OF PEOPLE ALSO BASED ON THE SHORTAGE OF AVAILABLE FACILITIES
11 FOR THE HOMELESS, THEY BASICALLY PULLED 50 PEOPLE, MOVED THEM
12 TO OF THE FRONT OF THE LINE AND BACKED 50 OTHER PEOPLE BACK
13 DOWN THE LINE. DOESN'T REALLY MAKE A LOT OF SENSE ON HOW THE
14 FUNDING AND HOW THIS PROGRAM WAS RUN. IT'S A GREAT IDEA BUT
15 WRONG TYPE OF INITIATIVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. NEXT ITEM,
16 SIR, WOULD BE ITEM NUMBER 11. CONGRATULATIONS, SUPERVISOR
17 THOMAS, ON BEING APPOINTED TO THE EXPO LIGHT RAIL LINE. I DO
18 HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS. WHEN THE LIGHT RAIL LINE WAS INITIATED,
19 AS THE EXPO LIGHT RAIL LINE, MAYBE YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO ANSWER
20 THIS, IT'S BEEN FUNDED AS THE EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT
21 PROJECT. THERE'S BEEN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN M.T.A., MASTER
22 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF EXPO
23 LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ACTING
24 THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER AND EXPOSITION METRO
25 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. THERE'S BEEN EXPOSITION LIGHT



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1 RAIL CONSTRUCTION, EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL LINE, ALL OF A SUDDEN
2 OUT OF THE CLEAR, THERE WAS A MID-CITY EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL
3 TRANSIT PROJECT. WHERE ARE THE MID-CITY PART OF THE LIGHT RAIL
4 PROJECT CAME INTO BEING? HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND OUT. BUT I
5 DO KNOW THE CITY IS SPENDING OR GRANTING \$35 MILLION OVER THE
6 NEXT FOUR FISCAL YEARS. TO THE MID-CITY EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL
7 TRANSIT PROJECT. SINCE PREVIOUS PERSON WHO SAT IN THAT-- ON
8 THE BOARD COULD-- WHERE THERE WERE NO ANSWERS FORTHCOMING,
9 MAYBE YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO FIND OUT WHERE THAT MID-CITY
10 EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT STANDS IN RELATIONSHIP
11 TO THE EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT. IF THEY WERE THE
12 SAME, THEN THEY WOULD BE THE SAME. IN A RELATED ITEM, SINCE
13 YOU HAVE COME FROM THE STATE LEGISLATURE, I'VE ALSO HAD A FEW
14 PROBLEMS WITH THE GOLD LINE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, IF YOU WANT TO ADDRESS THESE,
17 THESE ARE M.T.A. QUESTIONS. THEY WILL BE ADDRESSED AT THE
18 M.T.A. BOARD BUT YOU CAN CONTINUE TO--

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, I HAVE ADDRESSED THEM AT THE
21 M.T.A. BOARD. I'D JUST LIKE TO WARM HIM UP. I'LL ADDRESS THEM
22 THERE ALSO.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS A GOOD WARM UP, SUPERVISOR, JUST
25 --



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE STATE LEGISLATION WAS ENACTED, CREATING THE
3 EXPOSITION-- THE GOLD LINE FROM LOS ANGELES UNION STATION TO
4 THE SIERRA MADRE VILLA BOULEVARD, THE CITY OF PASADENA AND ANY
5 MASS TRANSIT GUIDE WAY THAT MAY BE PLANNED EAST OF SIERRA
6 MADRE VILLA BOULEVARD TO THE CITY OF CLAREMONT. AT WHAT POINT
7 WAS THE LEGISLATION-- WAS THE LEGISLATION CHANGED TO CREATE
8 THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION PART? BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO BE THAT--

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT WAS NEVER CHANGED, IT WAS ADDED ON. YOU
11 KNOW THAT.

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AT WHAT POINT? COULD YOU EXPLAIN? THEY
14 CORRESPOND TO THE SAME GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, MORE OR LESS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HE HAS NOT HAD THE PLEASURE OF SITTING
17 AT HIS FIRST M.T.A. ABOARD MEETING. HE'LL HAVE THAT PLEASURE--

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I THOUGHT I WOULD WARM HIM UP FOR THAT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, TIME'S UP.

22

23 **ARNOLD:** THANK YOU, NEXT ITEM, SIR.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 14.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, JUST A QUICK QUESTION REGARDING THE I.R.S.
3 WOULD THAT ALSO INCLUDE RULINGS BY THE I.R.S., REGULATIONS,
4 RULINGS AND IN A SENSE WOULD INCLUDE RULINGS MADE BY THE
5 I.R.S. --?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT WOULD INCLUDE ALL RULINGS AS IT
8 RELATES TO FEDERAL TAX LAW, I.R.S. REGULATIONS, IT RELATES TO
9 SELF-DIRECTED BROKERAGE ACCOUNTS.

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT ITEM--

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 54.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST QUICKLY, THIS D.N.A. TESTING. THE CITY OF
16 L.A. HAS COME INTO THE NEWS RECENTLY BECAUSE OF THEIR BACKLOG
17 IN D.N.A. TESTING. WOULD THIS PROGRAM OR THIS COMPANY BE
18 AVAILABLE OR WOULD IT BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR THEM TO BE
19 MADE AVAILABLE TO USE, OR IS THAT SOMETHING THEY'D HAVE TO
20 APPLY FOR--?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE DISTRICT
23 ATTORNEY AND CITY OF L.A. ARE WORKING TOGETHER ON THEIR D.N.A.
24 ISSUE. IT WILL BE PART OF-- WHETHER OR NOT THEY USE THIS



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1 PARTICULAR CONTRACTOR OR NOT, BUT THEY ARE ALL WORKING
2 TOGETHER TO TRY TO REDUCE THE BACKLOG.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 62.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 62 WAS RELATED TO ITEM 14, HE SPOKE ON
9 THAT. ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE 2, 11, 14 AND 54.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
13 ITEM 19, MR. SACHS AND GENEVIEVE. YOU HELD 19 AS WELL.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 19. OH, YES. ITEM 19. THE SELECTION OF THE
16 VENDORS. THIS COMES AGAIN BACK OF THE DIFFICULTY WE'VE HAD
17 WITH THE MAXIMUS CONTRACT. WAS THIS ALSO A-- WAS THIS ALSO
18 DONE WITH CONSENSUS SCORING FOR THIS CONTRACTORS CHOSEN AND
19 THE PROBLEM WITH THAT CONSENSUS CHOICE. THE C.A.O.-- THE
20 C.E.O. HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO LOOK INTO OTHER WAYS OF SCORING
21 CONTRACTS. IS THE CITY OF L.A., THEIR METHODS, WHAT METHODS DO
22 THEY USE? AND THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN "THE L.A. BREEZE" I
23 BELIEVE, THE L.A. TIMES, STATING THESE METHODS HAD BEEN IN
24 EFFECT FOR DECADES. THE FACT THEY HAD BEEN IN EFFECT FOR
25 DECADES LEAVES ONE TO WONDER HOW COULD THE MECHANISM NOT BE



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1 KNOWN THAT'S BEEN USED. WHAT CHANGES, WHAT MECHANISM, WHERE
2 WOULD THEY GO, WHAT OTHER RESOURCES ARE GOING TO BE USED TO
3 CHOOSE CONTRACTS? IF THIS IS A DECADE-LONG ITEM THAT'S BEEN
4 AROUND, COUNTY'S BEEN USING. AND THE PEOPLE THAT WOULD HAVE
5 DONE THE WORK FOR MAXIMUS ON THIS MAXIMUS CONTRACT WOULD HAVE
6 USED THESE METHODS BECAUSE THEY ARE DECADES OLD. AND THE
7 FUNDAMENTAL PART OF IT, THE PROCESSES FROM THE START TO THE
8 BEGINNING AND THE CONCLUSION WOULD HAVE BEEN USED THAT MAKES
9 PEOPLE WONDER, MAKES ME WONDER WHY THERE'S A BLANK IN THE
10 PROCESS ALL OF THE SUDDEN. WHY THE DISPUTE? WHY THE OVERTURN
11 OF THE CONTRACT AWARD? IF IT'S BEEN A DECADE-OLD PROCESS AND
12 IT'S BEEN FAIRLY SUCCESSFUL AND NOT QUESTIONED PRIOR TO THAT,
13 THIS MAXIMUS CONTRACT, WHY ALL THE SUDDEN THE CHANGE? AGAIN,
14 AS ALWAYS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. YOUR ANSWERS AND YOUR
15 ATTENTION.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE?

18

19 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL :** YES, GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE
20 CLAVREUL. ON THAT ITEM 19, THERE WAS NO ATTACHMENT. AGAIN, NO
21 NAME OF THE PEOPLE YOU ARE CONTRACTING WITH. IT KIND OF NEAT
22 TO GIVE CONTRACTS WITH NO NAMES. THAT ALWAYS PUZZLES ME. SO IT
23 WOULD BE NICE.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE HAVE SOMEBODY GET HER A COPY OF
2 THE BOARD LETTER, PLEASE?

3

4 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ONE THING THAT WAS INTERESTING, YOU KNOW,
5 WE HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH THAT EXTRA RADIOLOGY AND SO ON FOR
6 YEARS, STARTING WITH THE PROBLEM AT KING/DREW. IT WOULD BE
7 NICE TO REALLY CONDUCT A PROPER SOLICITATION. IT HAS BEEN A
8 LISTENING TIME COMING. ALSO LAST WEEK THE ITEM S-1 WAS NEVER
9 BROUGHT TO THE BOARD. AND I HAD SIGNED UP FOR THAT ITEM. I
10 WAITED A LONG, LONG TIME. AND, YOU KNOW, I'VE THINK MY RIGHT
11 TO SPEECH AND FIRST AMENDMENT WAS PROHIBITED. ALSO WHEN YOU
12 HAVE AN ITEM SET FOR A SET TIME ITEM, IT SHOULD BE PRESENTED
13 AT THAT TIME. I KNOW YOU ARE USED NOT TO DO IT, BUT IT WOULD
14 BE KIND OF NICE AND IS ALSO THE THING WITH THE BROWN ACT, THAT
15 YOU SUPPOSED TO HAVE IT AT THE TIME IT IS ANNOUNCED.
16 OTHERWISE, YOU SHOULD HAVE A MOTION TO CHANGE THE TIME. THAT
17 NEVER OCCURRED. ANYWAY, I WANT TO WELCOME SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
18 THOMAS. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU, ESPECIALLY
19 WITH THE REOPENING OF KING/DREW, AND I'D BE MORE THAN GLAD TO
20 BE INVOLVED IN A COMMISSION OR ANYTHING TO DO WITH ITS
21 WELCOME. I'LL ALSO GIVE YOU AN ARTICLE ON NURSES AT COST
22 CENTER, WHICH MIGHT HELP YOU TO MIX UP THIS _____ ABOUT
23 NURSING, THANK YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. WITH THAT ITEM 19,
2 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS, WE WILL GET YOU A COPY OF THAT BOARD LETTER. RIGHT
4 THERE, IT'S COMING. IT'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS YOU GET DOWN THE
5 RAMP THERE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. LET'S SEE.
6 I'M STILL UP, RIGHT? I'M GOING TO CALL UP ITEM 38. I KNOW WE
7 HAVE SOME PEOPLE THAT SIGNED UP, BUT I DO HAVE A MOTION THAT
8 I'M GOING TO READ IN.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE LAST ITEM?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST THINK IF YOU LET ME DO THIS, ON THE
15 ISSUE OF PROJECT 50-- BECAUSE THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN I THINK
16 IT WAS THE DOWNTOWN NEWS. IT WAS UNFORTUNATELY NOT THOROUGH. I
17 THINK WE ARE SHARING OUR VIEWS WITH THEM, AS IS THE COUNTY
18 STAFF ON THAT, BUT I THINK WE ARE ORGANIZING A PRESENTATION ON
19 THAT AND THE ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR.
20 AND I WANT TO JUST SAY-- WITH THE 48, ONE OF THE TOP 50
21 VULNERABLE WENT BACK TO HIS HOME OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY. ANOTHER
22 ONE IS IN JAIL, I BELIEVE. IT'S ONE OF THOSE-- WE HAVE
23 ACTUALLY REACHED MORE THAN THE 50. AND IF WE HAVE THE MONEY WE
24 COULD KEEP GOING. THIS WAS A PILOT PROGRAM-- AND I CONSIDER IT
25 SO BE A VERY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM. AND IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS



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1 WHERE, MR. CHAIRMAN, I-- YOU KNOW, IN THE EDITORIAL IN THIS
2 MORNING'S PAPER, THE MEMO OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ON HOW
3 HE SHOULD CONDUCT HIMSELF, WHICH I FOUND INTERESTING, THEY
4 CITED PROJECT 50 AS ONE OF OF THOSE THINGS. AND THEY WERE
5 RIGHT. WE DID NOT PICK THE LOW-HANGING FRUIT ON THIS ISSUE, WE
6 PICKED THE MOST DIFFICULT CASES THAT WE COULD POSSIBLY PICK
7 AND NOW I THINK THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS DONE A CREDITABLE JOB
8 ON THIS, IN MANAGING THIS PROGRAM. THE CONTRACT, THE PARTNERS
9 WE HAVE AND THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS HAVE DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB
10 ON THIS. WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO. AND WE HAVE ABOUT 70,000
11 MORE PEOPLE TO HOUSE. BUT THIS HAS BEEN A GOOD EXERCISE. I
12 THINK THAT WILL BECOME CLEAR WHEN THE REPORT COMES OUT IN
13 JANUARY. I'M LESS CONCERNED ABOUT MR. SACH'S COMMENTARY AS I
14 WAS ABOUT THE ARTICLE IN THE LOCAL PAPER. THEY MAY HAVE THEIR
15 REASONS FOR BEING NEGATIVE ABOUT IT. BUT I THINK THIS IS ONE
16 CASE WHERE THE COUNTY FAMILY SHOULD BE COMMENDED FOR NOT
17 TAKING THE EASY WAY OUT. AND WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE OUR COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENTS AND OUR COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND OURSELVES TO
19 GO AFTER THE TOUGH CASES, NOT THE EASY ONES, BECAUSE IT IS THE
20 TOUGH CASES THAT SET THE TEMPLATE FOR HOW YOU DEAL WITH ALL
21 THE REST OF THEM. I'M VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT WE HAVE DONE
22 AS A COUNTY, BOTH FROM HERE TO THE STAFF AND TO OUR PARTNERS.
23 AND IT HASN'T GOTTEN THE ATTENTION AND CREDIT THAT IT DESERVES
24 AND PEOPLE WHO ARE INVOLVED HAVE IT, BUT I EXPECT THEY WILL.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, IF I JUST-- TO ADD TO THAT, I
2 THINK THE POINT BEING IS WE MADE IT VERY CLEAR FROM THE VERY
3 BEGINNING, THAT PROJECT, THAT IT WAS NOT GOING TO BE AN EASY
4 PROJECT. WE WERE NOT GOING TO PICK OFF THE EASY ONES. THE
5 PURPOSE WAS TO FIND THE MOST DIFFICULT FOLKS TO DEAL WITH AND
6 TO TRY TO GET A HANDLE ON IT

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IF I COULD MAKE A BRIEF COMMENT, AND THANK
9 YOU VERY MUCH FOR THOSE COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
10 FOLKS WHO LOOKING AT THE PROGRAM WOULD MAKE A SERIOUS MISTAKE
11 IF THEY ONLY LOOK AT IT BY NUMBERS. WHAT WAS PROVEN IN NEW
12 YORK AND WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DEMONSTRATE HERE IN L.A. COUNTY,
13 IT IS NOT JUST NUMBERS, IT'S CHANGING BEHAVIOR. IT IS THE
14 IMPACT THAT WE'LL SEE ONCE WE PLACE THESE VERY, VERY DIFFICULT
15 INDIVIDUALS AND HOW THAT WILL IMPACT OTHERS WHO ARE SIMILARLY
16 SITUATED. WE START CHANGING AND IMPROVING THOSE BEHAVIORS.
17 THAT'S THE KEY TO THIS. THIS IS NOT A NUMBERS GAME. SO THIS
18 PROGRAM IS A GOOD PROGRAM AND NEEDS TO CONTINUE, THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK MAYBE IF WE MADE A
21 MISTAKE, IT'S TO CALL IT PROJECT 50. EVERYBODY PUT THE NUMBER
22 ON IT. IT IS NOT REALLY A NUMBERS GAME, YOU'RE EXACTLY RIGHT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE EXCEEDED 50, BUT YOU ARE RIGHT.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ATTACHING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF NUMBER
2 MORE SO THAN WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO CALL ITEM 38 UP. THERE ARE
7 SOME FOLKS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. WE WILL CALL YOU IN
8 JUST A SECOND. I'M GOING TO PUT A MOTION OUT HERE, TO TRY TO
9 BRING THIS TO SOME CONCLUSION. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS
10 ADOPTED POLICY OF ALLOWING PROPOSERS TO SEEK REVIEW OF
11 APPROVED SERVICE CONTRACT. THIS POLICY IS TITLED SERVICES
12 CONTRACT SOLICITATION PROTEST AND CAN BE FOUND IN 5.055 OF THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICY MANUAL. THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR
14 IMPLEMENTING THE POLICY WAS PUBLISHED MARCH 8TH, 2004 IN
15 DOCUMENT TITLED SERVICES CONTRACT SOLICITATION PROTEST POLICY
16 IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MOTION IS TO
17 CLARIFY AND CORRECT, IF NECESSARY, THIS POLICY AND ITS
18 IMPLEMENTATION. I BELIEVE THIS POLICY MUST APPLY TO ALL
19 SERVICES CONTRACT SOLICITATIONS, WHETHER IT IS FOR SERVICES TO
20 BE PROVIDED DIRECTLY TO THE COUNTY OR SERVICES PROVIDED TO
21 CONSTITUENTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF COUNTY
22 SOLICITATION FOR AN EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR TRASH SERVICES IS
23 SUCH A CONSTITUENT SERVICE. THE POLICY ALSO LIMITS THE GROUNDS
24 FOR PROTEST. THE GROUNDS ARE AS FOLLOWS: THE DEPARTMENT
25 MATERIALLY FAILED TO FOLLOW PROCEDURES SPECIFIED IN THE



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1 SOLICITATION DOCUMENT. THE DEPARTMENT MADE IDENTIFIABLE
2 MATHEMATICAL AND OTHER ERRORS IN EVALUATING PROPOSALS. A
3 MEMBER OF EVALUATION COMMITTEE DEMONSTRATED BIAS IN THE
4 CONDUCT OF EVALUATION, AND ANOTHER BASIS FOR REVIEW IS
5 PROVIDED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW. I WAS CONCERNED, AND THIS
6 HAS BEEN PART OF MY CONCERN THROUGH THIS WHOLE PROCESS, IS THE
7 PROPOSERS FOR THIS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WERE REQUIRED TO GO
8 FORWARD IN THE PROTEST PROCESS WITHOUT FIRST HAVING ACCESS TO
9 ALL THE PROPOSALS. IT IS GOING TO BE DIFFICULT FOR A PROPOSER
10 TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE DEPARTMENT MADE ERRORS IN
11 EVALUATING ITS PROPOSAL WITHOUT HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO
12 REVIEW ALL THE PROPOSALS SO I THEREFORE MOVE THIS BOARD
13 INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. TO CONVENE A PANEL IN ESTABLISHED
14 PARAMETERS TO ALLOW THE PROPOSERS FOR THIS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
15 TO SEEK REVIEW OF THE SOLICITATION AND EVALUATION PROCESS AND
16 REPORT THE REPORT RESULTS BACK TO THIS BOARD IN 30 DAYS AND B)
17 INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. IN CONJUNCTION WITH INTERNAL SERVICES
18 DEPARTMENT, COUNTY COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO
19 REVIEW THE SERVICES SOLICITATION PROTEST POLICY, EXCUSE ME,
20 AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO THIS POLICY, INCLUDING
21 CONSIDERATION OF APPLYING THE POLICY TO ALL SERVICE CONTRACT
22 SOLICITATIONS, INCLUDING SOLICITATION FOR FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS
23 IN CONSIDERATION OF ALLOWING THE PUBLIC TIME TO REVIEW ALL
24 PROPOSALS AND FOR FILING THE PROTEST PRIOR TO THE CONTRACT
25 RECOMMENDATION BEING PRESENTED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WITH



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1 THAT OBVIOUSLY THEN I WOULD HAVE TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO
2 JANUARY 6TH, SO THAT IS MY MOTION AND--

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S BEEN SECONDED. I'M GOING TO CALL
7 THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE UP. WE WILL GIVE YOU A MINUTE. MANY OF
8 YOU HAVE TESTIFIED BEFORE. I'M PRETTY FAMILIAR WITH WHAT YOUR
9 DESIRES ARE. MY DESIRE IS BRING THIS TO A CONCLUSION ONE WAY
10 OR THE OTHER SO THAT YOU ALL CAN GET THE REDUCED RATES. TANYA
11 ROSALES. SUZANNE FRATTO, COLLEEN HINMEN AND TOM WEADON WILL BE
12 THE FIRST FOUR THAT I CALL. YOU'LL GET A MINUTE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TANYA, WANT TO START?

15

16 **TANYA ROSALES:** YES, SIR. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
17 CHAIR KNABE, MY NAME IS TANYA ROSALES, AND I'M A RESIDENT OF
18 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS
19 YOU AGAIN ON THIS ISSUE. BY NOW I'M SURE THE FIVE OF YOU CAN
20 SEE HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS TO MY COMMUNITY. VALLEY VISTA
21 SERVICES HAS BEEN IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR TEN YEARS NOW. NOT ONLY
22 IS IT A SPONSOR TO MANY OTHER-- MANY OF OUR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
23 BUT AS A SERVICE PROVIDER WHO HAS PROVEN TO HAVE ETHICAL AND
24 EXCELLENT SERVICE. I HAVEN'T HEARD WHERE ATHENS WILL TAKE
25 TRASH AFTER 2013. DID YOU GET THAT QUESTION ANSWERED, SIR?



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1 VALLEY VISTA SERVICES HAS BEEN WORKING WITH U.C. DAVIS ON AN
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM TO PROCESS GREEN WASTE AND TRASH. WAS
3 THAT TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN THIS PROCESS? THANK YOU
4 AGAIN, CHAIR KNABE AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR SUPPORTING US
5 AND LISTENING TO OUR CONCERNS, THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUZANNE, THEN ASK MAX LEYVA
8 COME ON UP, TAKE A SEAT. MAX.

9

10 **SUZANNE FRATTO:** GOOD MORNING, MR. KNABE AND BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SUZANNE FRATTO. I WANT TO THANK YOU
12 AGAIN FOR LISTENING TO US AND OUR CONCERNS FROM HACIENDA
13 HEIGHTS. THE COMMUNITY OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS HAS A LONG
14 RELATIONSHIP WITH VALLEY VISTA SERVICES. THIS STARTED LONG
15 BEFORE VALLEY VISTA SERVICES PROVIDED TRASH SERVICE TO OUR
16 COMMUNITY. WE TRUST AND APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT VALLEY VISTA
17 HAS TO OUR COMMUNITY IN TERM OF EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AND CIVIC
18 INVOLVEMENT. THEY ARE PART OF THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS FAMILY AND
19 THIS IS IMPORTANT TO US. BY CONTRACT ATHENS HAS NO INVOLVEMENT
20 IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS, HAS SERIOUS ETHICAL INDISCRETIONS ALL
21 OVER THE FRONT PAGE OF OUR NEWSPAPER AND JEOPARDIZES OUR
22 COMMUNITY WITH CODE VIOLATIONS, LOW ETHICS AND LACK OF
23 ENVIRONMENTAL FORETHOUGHT AND PLANNING. ETHICS AND THE
24 ENVIRONMENT ARE IMPORTANT TO HACIENDA HEIGHTS. FINALLY,
25 BECAUSE OF THIS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, ALL RESIDENTS OF HACIENDA



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1 HEIGHTS WILL BE SAVING SUBSTANTIALLY ON THEIR MONTHLY FEES.
2 THE HIGHER BID OF \$1.92 PER MONTH IS WELL WORTH THE INVESTMENT
3 FOR AN ETHICAL, COMMUNITY-INVOLVED AND ENVIRONMENTALLY
4 PROACTIVE COMPANY. I ASK THAT YOU WILL RECONSIDER AND AWARD
5 THIS CONTRACT TO VALLEY VISTA, THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR TIME.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, COLLEEN AND RONNIE JONES.

8

9 **COLLEEN HINMAN:** COLLEEN HINMAN, AND I THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
10 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU AGAIN. IT HAS REALLY IMPRESSED
11 ME YOUR WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO YOUR CONSTITUENCIES AND I
12 REALLY, REALLY APPRECIATE IT. I CONCUR WITH WHAT THE OTHER
13 PEOPLE HAVE SHARED AND ONLY ADD VALLEY VISTA HAS A TRACK
14 RECORD OF-- EXCUSE ME, OF ADDRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND
15 ATHENS DOES NOT. VALLEY VISTA'S TRUCKS BURN NATURAL GAS,
16 ATHENS BURNS DIESEL. VALLEY VISTA HAS A PLAN FOR ADDRESSING
17 THE CLOSURE OF THE PUENTE HILL LANDFILL AND CONVERTING GREEN
18 WASTE TO ENERGY. ATHENS DOES NOT. I HAVE OFTEN HEARD THIS
19 BOARD ADDRESS THESE VERY REAL CONCERNS ON OTHER ISSUES BEFORE
20 YOU. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT A DOLLAR AND CHANGE PER HOUSEHOLD
21 A MONTH IS A PRETTY COST-EFFECTIVE WAY TO ADDRESS SOME OF
22 THESE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES THAT ARE FACING L.A. COUNTY. SO I
23 WOULD ASK YOU TO AWARD THIS CONTRACT TO VALLEY VISTA, AND
24 AGAIN, I AM SO IMPRESSED AT YOUR WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO US,
25 THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THEN TOM AND THEN I'D ASK JIM
3 KLEINPELL.

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5 **TOM WEADON:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TOM WEADON,
6 FROM HACIENDA HEIGHTS. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR TIME
7 AND CONSIDERATION YOU HAVE GIVEN TO THIS MATTER. IT MIGHT SEEM
8 TRITE TO YOU, BUT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE CITIZENS OF
9 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. SOME OF THIS IS REDUNDANT SO I'LL TRY TO
10 SKIP OVER IT BUT THERE ARE A COUPLE OF ISSUES I WANT TO GO
11 INTO. VALLEY VISTA, AS I STATED BEFORE, USES NATURAL GAS TO
12 FUEL TRUCKS, WHICH CREATES A MUCH CLEANER ENVIRONMENT. THEY
13 ALSO HAVE A PLAN IN THE WORKS TO RECYCLE THE GREEN WASTE TO
14 CREATE METHANE TO RUN THEIR TRUCKS ON, WHICH WOULD BE A BIG
15 BOON TO GOING GREEN, AS WE SAY. ONE OTHER THING, I'M RUNNING
16 OUT OF TIME HERE, BUT I'D LIKE TO CHANGE THE PACE HERE A
17 MINUTE. I COMMEND YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR
18 ACKNOWLEDGING TIME FOR THE VETERANS. WITHOUT VETERANS OF THIS
19 TYPE, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE, I WOULDN'T HAVE THE
20 OPPORTUNITY TO COME HERE TODAY TO ADDRESS YOU, AND YOU MIGHT
21 NOT EVEN BE HERE EITHER. SOMETHING WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AMEN TO THAT, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MAX?

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3 **MAX LEYVA:** YES, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND BOARD MEMBERS, I WANT TO
4 THANK YOU FOR GIVING-- REVIEWING THE MATTER BEFORE YOU NOW AS
5 FAR AS THE FRANCHISE FOR THE TRASH. I KNOW WE HAVE BEEN HERE
6 ALREADY THREE TIMES AND WE'LL BE HERE AGAIN ON THE 6TH, BUT
7 LIKE IT SAYS, IT IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE TO THESE PEOPLE. I LIVE
8 IN THE ADJOINING COMMUNITY, WHICH ALREADY HAS VALLEY VISTA AS
9 THEIR TRASH HAULER. WE'RE REALLY HAPPY. I LIVE IN LA PUENTE,
10 WHICH IS IN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT. LIKE I SAY, I WANT
11 TO THANK THE BOARD FOR GIVING CONSIDERATION TO THIS MATTER.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. RONNIE?

14

15 **RONNIE JONES:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND FELLOW BOARD
16 MEMBERS. I BEING A DISABLED MARINE, ALSO I APPLAUD YOU ON YOUR
17 VETERANS' RECOMMENDATIONS ALSO. I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE,
18 MR. KNABE, YOUR-- COMMEND FOR THE WAY YOU HAVE BEEN HANDLING
19 THE SITUATION OF CONCERN FOR THE CITIZENS OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS.
20 I'M GLAD THAT YOU LISTEN-- THAT YOU'RE LISTENING TO THE
21 COMMUNITY, AND I APPLAUD YOU FOR THAT. AND I'D LIKE TO ALSO
22 APPLAUD YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS AND THAT YOU HAVE DISPLAYED AND
23 KNOW THE PROCESS WILL ENCOMPASS INCLUSION FOR THE FUTURE.
24 AGAIN I THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONCERN AND EVERYONE ELSE,
25 THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, RON. JIM?

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4 **JIM KLEINPELL:** JIM KLEINPELL. CONGRATULATIONS, SUPERVISOR
5 THOMAS AND CONGRATULATIONS, ALSO, SUPERVISOR CHAIRMAN DON
6 KNABE. THANK YOU COUNTY SUPERVISORS FOR ALLOWING US AS A GROUP
7 OF CONCERNED HACIENDA HEIGHTS CITIZENS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
8 VOICE OUR CONCERNS AND FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THE-- THAT THERE MAY
9 BE SOME FLAWS AND HOLES IN THE PROCESS ITSELF. THE VERY FACT
10 THAT YOU'VE CHOSEN TO POSTPONE THE DECISION FOR FURTHER REVIEW
11 SHOWS HOW THOUGHTFUL AND CONCERNED THAT YOU ARE. SUPERVISOR
12 KNABE, YOU ARE A STEWARD-- HAVE DEMONSTRATED STEWARDSHIP OVER
13 HACIENDA HEIGHTS, YOU CONTINUE TO DO SO, IT IS GREATLY
14 APPRECIATED. ACCORDINGLY AS YOU LOOK FORWARD TO THE CLOSING OF
15 PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL WE ASK YOU GIVE APPROPRIATE WEIGHT TO
16 HANDLING OF GREEN AND FOOD WASTE BY VALLEY VISTA SERVICES
17 WHICH FAR OUTWEIGHS THE \$1.92 COST DIFFERENTIAL. AGAIN, THANK
18 YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION, SUPERVISORS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, JIM. THANK ALL OF YOU.
21 MULTIPLE TRIPS. MOVED AND SECONDED ON MY MOTION TO REPORT BACK
22 IN 30 DAYS, JANUARY 6TH, WHEN THIS ITEM WILL COME BACK. TO ALL
23 OF YOU, HAPPY HOLIDAYS, WE'LL SEE YOU IN JANUARY, THANK YOU.
24 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I WOULD
2 LIKE TO-- I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
3 IS IN THE HOUSE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE WELCOME, AS
4 SHE COMES FORWARD, PLEASE WELCOME GAIL FARBRE. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GAIL, WHERE ARE YOU OVER THERE? THIS IS
7 GAIL FARBRE, OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. SHE WOULD LIKE
8 TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS. FIRST ITEM BEFORE YOU IS MY MOTION TO
9 ESTABLISH A PROTEST BUT OTHER THAN THAT, WELCOME.

10

11 **GAIL FARBRE:** WELCOME, I FULLY SUPPORT THAT MOTION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **GAIL FARBRE:** THANK YOU, GOOD TO BE HERE, A PLEASURE TO BE
16 HERE. VERY EXCITING DAY YESTERDAY. AND I'M PROUD TO BE HER. IT
17 WAS MY FIRST DAY AS WELL, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
18 ALL OF YOU AND MEETING WITH ALL OF YOU, SERVING ALL THE FOLKS
19 IN L.A. COUNTY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS, WELCOME.

22

23 **GAIL FARBRE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I BELIEVE THAT WAS THE LAST ITEM I WAS
2 HOLDING SO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS AND ITEMS,
3 PLEASE.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST LIKE WE MOVE IN ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
6 PAUL WOO, LOS ANGELES BUSINESSMEN, P & S MANUFACTURING
7 COMPANY, ACTIVE IN THE CHINESE GARMENT ASSOCIATION WHO PASSED
8 AWAY JUNE 3RD. HE LEAVES HIS WIFE STELLA, AND A DAUGHTER,
9 NANCY HIRAMOTO AND HER TWO SONS. WE APPRECIATED PAUL'S
10 LEADERSHIP IN OUR COUNTY. HE WAS A WONDERFUL PERSON AND GOOD
11 FRIEND.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT AS WELL,
14 PLEASE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FRIEDA ANN BRIGGS, WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER
17 24TH AT 76. WAS ACTIVE RESIDENT IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, INVOLVED
18 WITH THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH, FORMER MEMBER OF THE ZONTA
19 CLUB, AND RETIRED FROM THE PALMDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AS
20 THE HEAD PAYROLL CLERK. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS JOEL AND
21 JEFF. BILL RUDELL, CITY ATTORNEY FOR HIS HOMETOWN OF BURBANK,
22 ALSO SERVED AS HONORARY CONSUL GENERAL FOR BOTSWANA, AFRICA.
23 WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES FIRM OF RICHARDS, WATSON AND
24 GERSHON SINCE 1985, AND WAS A BURBANK CITY COUNCILMAN AND
25 FORMER MAYOR OF BURBANK, AND REPRESENTED LEGAL AFFAIRS OF THE



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1 CITIES OF PASADENA, GLENDALE AND BURBANK, WHEN THEY FORMED THE
2 BOB-- I SHOULD SAY THE BURBANK AIRPORT, NOW KNOWN AS THE BOB
3 HOPE AIRPORT. PASSED AWAY AT AGE OF 69. CARLTON VARNA, WHO WAS
4 AN ANTITRUST ATTORNEY FOR MULLIN, RICHTER AND HAMPTON. HE WAS
5 CHAIRMAN OF THAT FIRM FROM 1991 THROUGH '98, GRADUATE OF
6 UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, WHERE HE WAS THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
7 AND HIS LAW DEGREE WAS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA. AND
8 THEN MARY RICE FOUNTAIN. SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST OF 12 CHILDREN
9 AND THE ONLY GIRL BORN TO IMMIGRANT PARENTS. SHE MARRIED HER
10 HUSBAND AL FOUNTAIN IN 1938. PREVIOUSLY WORKED FOR DOUGLASS
11 AIRCRAFT. ALLENWORDS CANDIES AND SAFEWAY SUPERMARKETS, AND WAS
12 ACTIVE IN ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND INVOLVED WITH THE
13 JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL 1289 AT WATER LARGE MANTILLA LODGE. SHE
14 PASSED AWAY, SHE LEAVES THREE CHILDREN. I HAVE A MOTION I'M
15 GOING TO INTRODUCE--

16
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS THE CO-AUTHOR OF
20 THIS LEGISLATION, ALTERNATIVE LANDFILLING FEES. PURSUANT TO
21 BOARD'S ORDER NOVEMBER 25TH, THE C.E.O. ISSUED A REPORT ON
22 DECEMBER 1ST CONCERNING A PROPOSED CITY OF LOS ANGELES
23 ALTERNATIVES TO LANDFILLING FEE. ALTHOUGH THE CITY PROPOSAL
24 WOULD APPLY TO ALL LANDFILLS IN THE CITY, PRACTICAL EFFECT IS
25 THAT THE FEE WOULD ONLY BE ASSESSED UPON TRASH HAULED FROM



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1 OUTSIDE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND DISPOSED AT THE SUNSHINE
2 CANYON LANDFILL IN THE GRENADA HILLS. THIS IS PARTLY WITHIN
3 THE CITY AND PARTIALLY WITHIN COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED
4 TERRITORY. IN PREPARING HIS REPORT, THE C.E.O. WORKED WITH OUR
5 COUNTY COUNSEL AND STAFF AND PUBLIC WORKS AND REGIONAL
6 PLANNING TO EVALUATE THE LEGAL, FINANCIAL, EQUITABLE ISSUES
7 ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED FEE. THE BOARD IDENTIFIED
8 SUBSTANTIAL CONCERNS AND RECOMMENDS TO OUR BOARD THAT WE SEND
9 A LETTER TO THE CITY COUNCIL OPPOSING THE A.T.L. FEE. THE
10 POSTED AGENDA FOR THE BOARD'S DECEMBER 2ND MEETING CONTAINS NO
11 ITEM FOR THIS MATTER TO ENABLE TO BOARD TO TAKE ACTION AT ITS
12 DECEMBER 2ND MEETING CONCERNING THIS PROPOSED FEE. HOWEVER
13 SINCE THE POSTING ON THE DECEMBER 2ND AGENDA, THE BOARD HAS
14 BECOME AWARE THE PROPOSED FEE WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY
15 AT ITS DECEMBER 9TH MEETING, ALSO THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING
16 DATE FOR OUR BOARD. FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO GIVE FULL
17 CONSIDERATION TO OBJECTIONS AND CONCERNS, THE BOARD'S
18 OPPOSITION LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO CITY COUNCIL PRIOR TO
19 DECEMBER 9TH. THIS CANNOT OCCUR UNLESS THE BOARD WAITS FOR THE
20 9TH, WHICH MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ACT ON THAT. SO
21 CONSEQUENTLY, WE NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION AS AN URGENCY,
22 WHICH WE'D ASK COUNTY COUNCIL TO APPROVE, AND FIND THAT THE
23 BOARD WOULD MOVE THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR THE BOARD TO
24 IMMEDIATELY CONSIDER THE C.E.O.'S REPORT, RECOMMENDATIONS
25 CONCERNING THE CITY'S PROPOSED A.T.L. FEE, THAT THIS AROSE



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1 AFTER POSTING OF THE BOARD'S DECEMBER 2ND AGENDA AND DIRECT
2 THE C.E.O. TO PREPARE THE FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER OPPOSITE
3 OPPOSITION TO THE BOARD, FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE
4 CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERING THE PROPOSAL A.T.L. FEE IN THE FORM
5 SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE LETTER THAT WAS ATTACHED THE
6 REPORT DATED DECEMBER 1ST, SO THAT WOULD BE--

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FIRST OF ALL, WE WILL MOVE URGENCY.
9 MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY, WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. MOTION'S BEFORE US, MOVED BY THE
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY
17 ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. TWO ITEMS WILL
20 SUFFICE, I SUSPECT. THE FIRST OF WHICH IS TO FOLLOW UP ON AN
21 ANNOUNCEMENT THIS MORNING RELATIVE TO A MOTION INVOLVING THE
22 MARTIN LUTHER KING MEDICAL CENTER. I MAKE NOTE OF THE FACT
23 THAT YOU MADE REMARKS YESTERDAY, THE OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY,
24 PERTAINING TO THIS MATTER, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND AGAIN TODAY IN
25 YOUR OPENING REMARKS. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SUGGEST THIS IS



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1 APPROPRIATELY ONE OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITIES TO WHICH I WILL
2 DIRECT MY ATTENTION AND I'M PLEASED TO NOTE THAT YOU SHARE
3 MUCH OF THAT. MAY I THEN ASK THAT WE INSTRUCT THE C.E.O., THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
5 SERVICES TO PLAN, TO DEVELOP A PLAN INCLUDING COST ESTIMATES
6 AND SCHEDULED TO INFORM EXISTING CAMPUSES TO CONSTRUCT NEW
7 FACILITIES TO INCLUDE AN INITIAL PHASE TO PROVIDE A 120
8 LICENSE BED INPATIENT HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM MACK AND
9 NECESSARY HOSPITAL SUPPORT SERVICES AND REPORT BACK TO THIS
10 BOARD IN 60 DAYS WITH THE APPROPRIATE ESTIMATES AND SCHEDULES.
11 THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION I WOULD LIKE TO ENTER BEFORE
12 CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED APPROPRIATE
13 MEETING.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** A REPORT BACK SO WE CAN ACT UPON IT.
16 IT'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL
17 SECOND IT. ANY DISCUSSION, ANY OBJECTIONS? SO ORDERED.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IF YOU WILL, I'D
20 LIKE FOR US TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE ONE AND ONLY ETHEL
21 BRADLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER THE 25TH OF PNEUMONIA AT
22 THE AGE OF 89. SHE WAS THE LONGEST REIGNING FIRST LADY OF THE
23 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AS THE WIFE OF MAYOR TOM BRADLEY, WHO
24 PRECEDED HER IN DEATH A DECADE AGO AND MANY OF US KNOW THAT
25 MAYOR BRADLEY HELD OFFICE FROM 1973 TO 1993. AND DURING THAT



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1 20-YEAR PERIOD OF PUBLIC OFFICE, ETHEL BRADLEY, AFFECTIONATELY
2 KNOWN AS MRS. B., TOOK HER PLACE AS THE CITY'S AMBASSADOR, IN
3 MANY RESPECTS, WELCOMING AND GREETING THOSE DIGNITARIES
4 LITERALLY FROM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. SHE HELD A PERMANENT SEAT
5 BEHIND HOME PLATE DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME. SHE WAS KNOWN AS
6 A NUMBER ONE FAN OF THE DODGERS. IN THE YEAR 2006, THIS BOARD
7 HONORED MRS. BRADLEY UPON THE OPENING OF THE ETHEL BRADLEY
8 EARLY EDUCATION AND HEALTH CAREER CENTER IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES.
9 THE IDEA FOR THAT CENTER ORIGINATED WITH MANY OF THOSE WITH
10 WHOM SHE WORKED AS A CO-FOUNDER OF WHAT WAS THEN KNOWN AS THE
11 BLACK WOMEN'S FORUM, THIS ENTITY WAS HELPED TO MOTIVE PERSONS
12 BECOME COMMUNITY LEADERS. SHE LEAVES, AS MANY OF US KNOW, A
13 CHERISHED MEMORY, AND HER LIFE WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE FIRST
14 A.M.E. CHURCH THIS UPCOMING FRIDAY, 10 A.M., AND HER DAUGHTERS
15 LORRAINE AND PHYLLIS WISH US TO KNOW THAT MOTHER HAS PASSED,
16 BUT HER MEMORY WILL REMAIN WITH US FOR MANY YEARS TO COME.
17 THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT SO ORDERED, ALL MEMBERS
20 ON THAT ADJOURNMENT. BE ANYTHING ELSE, SUPERVISOR?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT WILL CONCLUDE MY PRESENTATION, THANK
23 YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. ZEV, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?
2 OKAY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU. I ASK THE BOARD
5 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN MENKES, A PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGIST WHO
6 IDENTIFIED CONGENITAL DISORDERS OF THE NEURAL SYSTEM AND
7 ESTABLISHED THE PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY PROGRAM AT U.C.L.A., WHO
8 DIED AT THE AGE OF 79, RECENTLY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
9 MYRNA MENKES, CHILDREN SIMON, RAFAEL AND TAMARA MENKES, AND
10 HIS STEPCHILDREN SYDNEY SIMON AND GREGORY STOGEL. I ALSO ASK
11 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MITCHELL LURIE, A WORLD-
12 RENOWNED CLARINETIST AND CLARINET TEACHER AT U.S.C. FOR MANY
13 YEARS, RECENTLY SUCCUMBED TO PNEUMONIA IN WEST LOS ANGELES AT
14 HIS HOME AT THE AGE OF 86. WAS BORN IN BROOKLYN, RAISED IN LOS
15 ANGELES. MITCH HAD BEEN THE PRINCIPAL CLARINETIST FOR THE
16 PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY AND THE CHICAGO SYMPHONY IN THE LATE
17 1940S, PRIOR TO EMBARKING ON A LONG AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS
18 ONE OF HOLLYWOOD'S TOP CLARINETISTS FOR FILM SOUND TRACK WORK.
19 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LEONA. AND HIS CHILDREN, ALAN AND
20 MARK LURIE. AND LAST I HAVE-- I'D LIKE TO ASK WE ADJOURN IN
21 MEMORY OF LEON MOCHKATEL, PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.
22 SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER, RENEE, A LONG TIME CONSTITUENT OF
23 MINE, A CIVIL RIGHTS ATTORNEY, AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND
24 FRIENDS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. ARE YOU-- THINK THOSE ARE
2 ALL THE ITEMS. PUBLIC COMMENTS? ARNOLD SACHS AND ROSALIE MARKS
3 HANFT.

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5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, ARNOLD SACHS. FOR YOUR BENEFIT,
6 SUPERVISOR THOMAS, I USE THIS TIME AT THE COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS TO DISCUSS METRO ITEMS. BECAUSE THE COUNTY METRO
8 BOARD MEETINGS YOU ARE ONLY ALLOWED ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK. SO I
9 TAKE THIS TIME TO SHOW YOU THAT METRO QUARTERLY FROM SUMMER OF
10 2008 PUT OUT THIS WONDERFUL FLIER OR THIS BOOKLET. AND INSIDE
11 IT HAS "LET'S GET MOVING", AND A GAME SHOWS METRO WORKING FOR
12 PROJECTS. THEY INCLUDE THIS CARD HERE THAT SAYS ACTUALLY METRO
13 DOLLARS WHICH IS REALLY WRONG BECAUSE IT IS PUBLIC DOLLARS.
14 BUT IF YOU PLAYED THIS GAME AND YOU PUT IN ANY PROJECT THAT
15 METRO'S DONE, YOU PRETTY MUCH COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT ALL
16 PROJECTS, THAT THEY'VE RUN OUT OF MONEY AND START ANOTHER
17 PROJECT INSTEAD OF GOING TO COMPLETION. WHETHER YOU NAME THE
18 BLUE LINE, WHICH RAN OUT OF MONEY BEFORE IT GOT TO UNION
19 STATION, OR YOU NAME THE RED LINE, WHICH RAN OUT OF MONEY
20 BEFORE IT GOT TO FAIRFAX, OR THE EXTENSION THAT WENT TO SAN
21 VICENTE AND PICO, YET THEY DUG OVER A THIRD OF FAIRFAX AND
22 THAT ENDED UP BEING COMING THE GROVE, EVEN THOUGH THEY FOUND
23 METHANE GAS. OR LOOK AT THE GOLD LINES OR GOLD LINE EAST SIDE
24 EXTENSION, BUILT WITHOUT CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. EVERYTHING
25 HAS RUN OUT OF FUNDS. THEN YOU TURN THE PAGE, AND THERE IS



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1 ANATOMY OF A PROJECT. AGAIN, IF YOU FILL IN ANY ONE OF THE
2 PROJECTS THAT YOU LOOK AT, OR UNDER THE AUSPICES OF METRO YOU
3 COULD SAY THE GOLD LINE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A SUBWAY. IT TURNED
4 INTO 47 ALTERNATIVES TO THE METRO RED LINE TO THE EXPO, TO
5 EAST L.A. OR YOU LOOK AT THE RED LINE GOING WESTBOUND,
6 SUPPOSED TO GO DOWN WILSHIRE BOULEVARD THAT TURNED INTO 17
7 ALTERNATIVES. YOU ALSO KNOW RECENTLY THERE WAS CONSTRUCTION IN
8 SENTRY CITY, A NEW HIGH-RISE WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE CITY OF
9 L.A. AND ONE OF THE GOOD THINGS ABOUT THIS NEW HIGH-RISE IS
10 THEY ARE PUTTING IN A STATION FOR THE SUBWAY TO THE SEA. BUT
11 THE PLAN FOR THE SUBWAY TO THE SEA HASN'T BEEN FULLY VETTED SO
12 THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE A SUBWAY TO THE SEA STATION AVAILABLE
13 FOR WHEN THE SUBWAY TO THE SEA FINALLY ARRIVES IN YEAR 2030 OR
14 35. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING YOU ON THE METRO BOARD.
15 WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING YOU ON THE COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR ANSWERS AND YOUR
17 ATTENTION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIR. ROSALIE, YOU ARE NEXT.

20

21 **ROSALIE MARKS HANFT:** YES. HI. I HAVE PAPERS I'M GIVING YOU.
22 THESE ARE DOCUMENTS THAT ARE SELF-EVIDENT, THESE ARE PROOF.
23 FIRST I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT CALIFORNIA AND DISTRICT 2 IS
24 BLESSED TO HAVE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AS A SUPERVISOR. AND THE
25 REASON I'M HERE IS BECAUSE MY SON, REGARDING A PROPERTY



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1 EMINENT DOMAIN, THAT SINCE MARCH 12TH, 2004 UNTIL THE END OF
2 2007 THE GOVERNMENT-- THE GOVERNMENT HAD CONTROL OF IT,
3 TOTALLY CONTROL OF IT. THEY TOOK OFF A PIECE OF IT. AND THEN
4 AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, THEY SENT SOME CHECKS BECAUSE THEY CUT
5 OFF A PIECE OF THE PROPERTY, AND THE CHECKS WERE REFUNDS. AND
6 I GAVE YOU COPIES OF THE CHECKS. ONE WAS FOR \$400 AND CHANGE.
7 THE NEXT ONE WAS FOR \$700 AND CHANGE. THE THIRD ONE BOUNCED.
8 SO THE BANK CALLED AND SAID THE THIRD ONE BOUNCED. WHEN I
9 CALLED THE FIND WHY THE THIRD ONE BOUNCED I WAS TOLD THAT
10 BECAUSE IT WASN'T CASHED FOR A FEW DAYS, LIKE SAY FIVE, TEN
11 DAYS AND THAT'S WHY IT BOUNCED. BUT ON THE CHECK IT SAYS IT IS
12 GOOD FOR TWO YEARS. SO I CALLED WENDY WATANABE AND SHE SAYS,
13 NO, NO. THE REASON IT BOUNCED IS BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T HAVE YOUR-
14 - THEY DIDN'T PUT THE APARTMENT NUMBER ON, WHICH IS FULL OF
15 BALONEY. THE OTHER CHECKS DIDN'T HAVE THE APARTMENT NUMBER ON
16 EITHER. TO KNOW HOW WRONG THEY ARE, HOW TOTALLY FRAUDULENT AND
17 INCOMPETENT, IF YOU LOOK AT THE CHECKS, ONE IS FOR \$400, ONE
18 IS \$400-- ONE \$400 AND CHANGE, OTHER FOR \$400 AND CHANGE AND
19 ONE FOR \$700. WHY SUCH A DISCREPANCY? WHEN I SPOKE TO GARY
20 TOWNSEND HE SAID THAT COULDN'T BE, BECAUSE FROM ONE YEAR
21 ANOTHER THEY NEVER MAKE IT MORE THAN 2 PERCENT DIFFERENT, SO
22 THAT'S TOTALLY WRONG. ANOTHER REASON IT IS WRONG, WHY ARE THEY
23 PUTTING MY NAME ON THE CHECKS? I NEVER, NEVER OWNED THE
24 PROPERTY, NOT EVER. THE THIRD THING IS, IF THEY PUT MY NAME ON
25 THE CHECKS, HOW DID THEY HAVE THE NERVE, THE AUDACITY TO COVER



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1 UP FOR THEIR INCOMPETENCE TO PUT IT ON MY SON'S TAX BILL, WHEN
2 IF YOU LOOK AT THE TAX BILL, THAT'S THE LONG PAGE, YOU'LL SEE
3 HE NEVER, NEVER, NEVER WAS BEHIND. ALWAYS PAID TIMELY AND
4 ALWAYS PAID THE FULL AMOUNT. SO WHAT THEY SHOULD DO SHOULD BE
5 A COMPLETE AUDIT. IT SHOULD BE DONE CORRECTLY. AND ANOTHER
6 THING IS, THEY SHOULD TAKE IT OFF THE BILL TO SAY HE OWED
7 TAXES FROM 2005, 2006 AND 2007, IT IS TOTALLY FRAUDULENT AND
8 CORRUPT. AND I SPOKE WITH OTHER LAWYERS. I ALSO SPOKE WITH
9 OTHER COUNTIES, THEIR AUDITOR AND CONTROLLER. EVERYONE TOLD ME
10 THAT WHAT THEY DID IS TOTALLY WRONG.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE SOMEONE HERE FROM AUDITOR-
13 CONTROLLER THAT CAN SPEAK TO HER? WE HAVE ANYONE HERE FROM
14 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER? DO YOU KNOW-- OKAY. RIGHT BEHIND YOU IS
15 SOMEONE THAT WILL TALK TO YOU. RIGHT BEHIND YOU. THIS LADY
16 HERE WILL TALK TO YOU. SHOW HER YOUR RECORDS, OKAY? OKAY.

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18 **ROSALIE MARKS HANFT:** PLEASE, I NEED HELP BECAUSE--

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS LADY IS HERE TO HELP YOU SO--

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22 **ROSALIE MARKS HANFT:** THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
25 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL



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1 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S.-1,
2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF
3 LITIGATION ONE CASE AS INDICATED ON POSTED AGENDA, THANK YOU.

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5 (CS-1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

6 (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

7 Initiation of litigation (one case)

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9 ACTION TAKEN: THE BOARD AUTHORIZED COUNTY COUNSEL TO SEEK

10 JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULINGS BY THE STATE

11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES REGARDING MEDI-CAL COSTS

12 REIMBURSEMENTS. THE PARTICULARS OF THE ACTION WILL BE

13 DISCLOSED UPON REQUEST TO ANY PERSON ONCE THE ACTION HAS BEEN

14 FORMALLY COMMENCED.

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16 THE VOTE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WAS UNANIMOUS WITH ALL

17 SUPERVISORS BEING PRESENT. (08-3446)

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